

CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. R-19-1365

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY,
WASHINGTON, RATIFYING RATES AS APPROVED BY THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 FOR FIORITO ENTERPRISES, INC., &
RABANCO COMPANIES DBA KENT MERIDIAN DISPOSAL
COMPANY, ALLIED WASTE SERVICES OF KENT, REPUBLIC
SERVICES OF KENT FOR THE 2009 ANNEXED AREA KNOWN AS
MAPLE RIDGE HIGHLANDS**

WHEREAS, the City of Maple Valley adopted Ordinance 0-09-388, published on July 21, 2009, annexing the area known as Maple Ridge Highlands effective July 26, 2009; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35A.14.900 the City of Maple Valley adopted Ordinance O-09-390 granting a solid waste franchise to Fiorito Enterprises, Inc. & Rabanco Companies, dba Kent Meridian Disposal Company, Allied Waste services of Kent, and Republic Services of Kent (Republic Services) in September, 2009 for the statutorily required seven years plus three additional years to offset any potential measurable damages; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance O-09-390 requires all rates be subject to review by the Public Works Director, who shall provide a recommendation on proposed rate increases to the City Council the approval for which shall not be unreasonably withheld; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance O-09-390 requires the proposed rate increases be fair and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, compliance with Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) approved rates for similar services in the area is presumed fair and reasonable, pursuant to Ordinance O-09-390; and

WHEREAS, Republic Services last “general” rate increase in 2015 and was ratified by Maple Valley City Council approval of Resolution R-15-1039 effective July 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, since the 2015 “general” rate increase Maple Valley Council approved Resolution R-16-1075 ratifying a WUTC approved recycling rate increase effective February 1, 2016 for Republic Services to recover increase in labor costs for processing recyclables at their Seattle Material Recovery Facility resulting from the Seattle City Council passage of a new minimum wage Ordinance No. 124490; and

WHEREAS, Maple Valley Council approved Resolution R-17-1127 to ratify a King County solid waste disposal fee increase effective January 1, 2017, as approved by the WUTC, which did not generate any new revenue for Republic Services; and

WHEREAS, Maple Valley Council approved Resolution R-18-1256 to ratify a temporary 6-month recycling surcharge effective July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, as approved by the WUTC, for increased recycling processing cost resulting from the China Sword initiative; and

WHEREAS, On January 14, 2019 Maple Valley Council approved Resolution R-19-297 ratifying a WUTC approved a 180-day temporary recycling surcharge for Republic Services effective January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019 of \$0.41 per month for residential customers and \$0.24 per cubic yard for multi-family customers, and a 5.4% Hazardous Waste fee increase effective January 1, 2019 and a King County Solid Waste Disposal fee increase from \$134.59 per ton to \$140.82 per ton effective January 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, both the King County Disposal fee increase and the King County Board of Health Fee increase are “pass-through” fees to the customer and do not generate new revenue for the hauler; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2019 Republic Services filed a Tariff with the WUTC to approve a general rate increase of approximately 7.2 percent which was approved by the WUTC at the Open Meeting on June 27, 2019 effective July 1, 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Ratification. The City Council of the City of Maple Valley hereby ratifies Fiorito Enterprises, Inc. & Rabanco Companies dba Republic Services of Kent regular rate adjustment effective July 1, 2019 as approved by the WUTC at the June 27, 2019 Open Meeting for the service area known as Maple Ridge Highlands. A copy of Republic Services rates effective July 1, 2019 will be filed with the City Clerk and identified with Clerk's Receiving No. 2983.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING THEREOF THIS 8TH DAY OF JULY 2019.

CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY

Sean P. Kelly, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shaunna Lee Rice, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Patricia Taraday, City Attorney